

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2008-54-E - ORDER NO. 2008-149

MARCH 5, 2008

IN RE: Request of Carolina Power and Light	)	ORDER
Company DBA Progress Energy Carolinas,	)	APPROVING
Inc. to Revise the Availability of Small	)	REVISION
General Service (Time-of-Use) Schedule	)	
SGS-TOU	)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Carolina Power & Light Company d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. (PEC or the Company) for approval of a revision of the availability of Small General Service (Time-of-Use) Schedule SGS-TOU. PEC is seeking to clarify the Schedule's availability to customers with an initial contract demand below 1,000 kW and to clarify the transition to LGS class tariffs with load growth.

The current "Availability" section states that Schedule SGS-TOU is available to customers until their load either exceeds: (1) 1,200 kW in two months and a change in facilities is required or (2) 1,500 kW once. SGS-TOU customers have expressed concern that this provision unfairly requires a transition to an LGS class schedule when their load requirement only slightly exceeds the 1,500 kW limit and PEC is not incurring any cost to increase local distribution facilities to serve their load. In response to its customers' concerns, PEC proposes to revise the "Availability" section to 1) clarify that the schedule is applicable to customers with an initial contract demand of less than 1,000 kW; and 2) allow a customer to remain on this tariff when the customer's load exceeds 1,000 kW

unless a change in facilities is required. No other changes to the Schedule are requested.

The Office of Regulatory Staff has no objection to the proposed revision.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-870 (F) (Supp. 2007) states that this Commission may allow rates or tariffs to be put into effect without notice and hearing upon order when such rates or tariffs, *inter alia*, do not require a determination of the entire rate structure and overall rate of return, or when the rates or tariffs do not result in any rate increase to the electrical utility. We find that the proposed revision of the availability of Schedule SGS-TOU does not require a determination of the entire rate structure and overall rate of return, nor does the proposed revision result in any rate increase to the electrical utility. Therefore, the proposed revision may be approved and put into effect without notice or hearing, should we so hold that the revision should be approved.

We have examined this matter, and find that the proposed revision to the availability of Schedule SGS-TOU should be approved as filed. We believe that it is both reasonable and responsive to the Company's customers' concerns to allow them to remain on the tariff even when the customer's load exceeds 1,000 kW, in the absence of need for a change in facilities. Accordingly, the revision to the availability of Schedule SGS-TOU is approved.

PEC shall provide ten (10) copies of the revised schedule to this Commission and ten (10) copies to the Office of Regulatory Staff within ten (10) days of its receipt of this Order.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

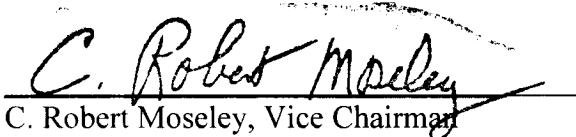
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



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G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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